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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN EDGEFIELD COUNTY.

Wednesday, June 24th.

There are no crown-wearers in heaven that were not cross-bearers here below.—SPURGEON.

Fate is cruel in advancing sugar just as blackberries begin to ripen.

By the way, have you placed your name on the Democratic club roll?

When automobile owners are in the majority then we will have modern roads.

The mediators have a safe margin before being liable to the charge of exceeding the speed limit.

Doubtless the Colonel likes to be associated with the word, is why he chose the Imperator for his return voyage.

Wouldn't it have been a good idea to have inserted a proviso limiting the per diem of the mediators to 40 days?

Edgefield must contribute to Johnston's glory on July 4, and also throughout the remainder of Chautauqua Week.

If the sale of automobiles continues at the present rate, the sidewalks in Edgefield can be abolished by Christ mas.

The Advertiser will place an order with that aeroplane factory in Sumter when it guarantees that its airships will not "sink."

Judging from the way Mr. Pollock and Mr. Jennings are "making the fur fly", that must be a fur coat that so many fellows are swinging on to.

Wonder whether Mr. McLaurin engaged that campaign manager for the season or merely retained him until he could size up the political situation?

It is a fine thing to be able to hold on to one office—that of railroad commissioner, for example—when there is grave doubt about securing another office that you are reaching out for.

Mr. Jennings, candidate for the senate, may or may not be related to William Jennings Bryan, nevertheless he is a hard hitter, and some of the candidates are wincing perceptibly under his sledge-hammer blows.

The War Department has announced that it will not give any further aid to the South Carolina militia. Just who caused the State to sustain this heavy loss, we will leave for Mr. Pollock and Mr. Jennings to tell.

The people of Edgefield are falling from grace, politically. At least they seem to be losing their penchant for politics. There are two members to be elected to the House of Representatives this year and up to this time only two candidates have announced. Aiken has seven candidates and only three places to be filled.

Annual Press Meeting.

President Ed. DeCamp has arranged for the newspaper men of the State to enjoy one week of pleasure, with a little business sandwiched in. The annual outing will begin at Chick Springs Monday, July 6, and wind up at the Isle of Palms the last of the week. The address of the convention will be delivered this year by Mr. Fairfax Harrison, the president of the Southern railroad.

Georgians and North Carolinians.

The Governor averred in one of his speeches that the new party rules will disfranchise at least 25,000 white voters. The alert and keen-witted Mr. Jennings replied that the Governor's statement is true but that these men are from North Carolina, Georgia and

elsewhere and should be debarred from voting. The new rules were intended to keep outsiders from voting in our elections.

Not a Candidate.

The report that the editor of The Advertiser is or will be a candidate for the House of Representatives being current in some sections of the county, we desire to set at rest such report. As we have absolutely no desire to enter politics, we have not even given serious consideration to the appeals that have come to us from friends here and in other parts of the county. Some of these friends have said: "We will pull off our coat and work for you if you will consent to run." Others have been kind enough to say, "You can be elected without leaving your office," etc. While appreciating these manifestations of esteem and confidence, we have not been tempted even to enter public life. Some men have political ambition, while others prefer to pursue the even tenor of their way in the private walks of life, "far from the madding crowd." The editor of The Advertiser belongs to the latter class.

We shall be satisfied to serve the people of Edgefield county, for whom we have great affection and in whom we have an abiding interest, as editor of The Advertiser, and will let some one else serve them in the legislative halls.

Candidates and Voters.

Thus far the campaign has been projected along sane lines. Just at this time there seems to be a political drought in South Carolina, affording no mud for those who have been given to singing. In the main, the speeches, as reported in the daily press, have been confined to discussing public questions, with here and there a reference to the political record of some office holder. The official deeds or misdeeds of some of the aspirants have been severely arraigned, but no one has yet descended to the personal-abuse plane. May the first week be an earnest of what the entire campaign will be.

As for the part the voters are playing, that is highly creditable too. They have given respectful attention. The contemptible feature of howling down candidates of opposing views, as was frequently done in the demagogic days of the early nineties, is conspicuously absent so far.

As a rule the attendance upon the meetings has not been large, which reflects credit upon the people. This is a busy season of the year with farmers and it is not required of any man that he neglect urgent business in order to be a true and loyal Democrat.

Be Thoughtful of Dumb Brutes.

A few days ago the writer saw a man from the car window plowing a mule that had a crocus bag over its mouth and nose to keep the animal from biting the corn. This act of cruelty on a sweltering June day suggested these words of the good book: A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast." Surely if a man ever takes thought of the life and comfort of his beasts of burden, it should be during these long hot days, the longest of the year and seemingly the hottest.

In the first place, as far as possible the food should be suited to the season, making it a well-balanced-hot-weather ration. In the second place, all animals, especially the work stock, should be provided with abundance of fresh water. Horses and mules should be taken from the plow and watered between meals, not allowing them to drink too freely when very hot. In the third place, well ventilated stalls should be provided. In fact, it is better to leave the stable doors open and allow stock to run at large in the lot these hot nights. Then besides being rested they will be fresh and ready for work the next day. Start the plows early these mornings and make the noon "recess" longer, plowing also later in the afternoon when it is cool.

Aside from the humane idea or feature, it pays to take care of the beasts of burden and the dairy cows. You will reap a larger return in dollars and cents, and have in addition "a still and quiet conscience."

Making Better Citizens.

In addressing the good roads mass meeting which was held here Friday, the supervisor of Aiken county did not receive an amen, when he said Edgefield could get money for the public roads by establishing a dispensary. While Aiken county is building better roads with aid of the dispensary, Edgefield is making a better citizenship without the dispensary. At the same time our 1,500 miles of public roads are steadily improving.

Aiken's chaingang numbers nearly four times that of Edgefield, which reflects the increase in crime in Aiken county, this doubtless being largely due to dispensary whiskey that debauches her people.

Which is of greater importance, making better citizens improving the public roads? On which does the Government most depend, the quality of our citizenship or the condition of our roads? Should the citizens be degraded in order to improve the grade

of the roads? Must our citizenship be dragged in the mire in order that our sand may be clayed, or the clay sanded? Is there a mother or father in Edgefield county who would not rather travel over rough roads to market than drive over the best macadamized roads, if their sons must be made drunk on dispensary whiskey in order to get the money to improve the roads? The cost of such roads is too great.

Mr. J. T. Ouzts Takes His Own Life.

Mr. J. T. Ouzts, one of the leading farmers of the Kirksey section of Greenwood county, committed suicide Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by shooting himself in the head. The report of the pistol was heard by members of the family and they found his body about five minutes after the shot had been fired.

Although he had been in bad health for a year or more Mr. Ouzts' relatives and friends had never suspected that he would take his own life, but, in the absence of a note explaining his act, it is believed that he had despaired of ever getting well and decided to end it all with his revolver.

Mr. Ouzts arose at the regular time this morning and appeared to be in his usual spirits. He left his house a few minutes before 9 o'clock and went to a field near by where some negroes were working. He asked one of these for a pistol and immediately after it was handed to him walked to a seed house, about 100 yards from his dwelling, and shot himself in the forehead. Members of the family heard the muffled sound, but at first did not discover that it came from the seed house. A hurried search was made and his body was soon located. It is believed that he died instantly.

Mr. Ouzts was a well-to-do farmer and held the respect and esteem of his community, in which the news of his tragic death has caused profound sorrow. He was 57 years of age and leaves his wife and eight children. These are: Messrs. George Trapp, J. H. and Ollie Ouzts, Misses Lena and Nellie Ouzts and Messdames O. A. Etheredre, A. L. Kemp, J. D. Kemp, Mr. W. M. Ouzs, of Kirksey, and Rev. J. L. Ouzts, of Spartanburg are brothers. The funeral will be conducted at Mountain Creek church Wednesday afternoon.—Greenwood Journal.

Inoculating for Bur and Crimson Clover.

A reader wishes the following information:

1. "Will crimson clover seed sown in the rough, or hulls, carry their own inoculating bacteria and thus inoculate itself as does bur clover?"

2. "Will bur or crimson clover which was grown from re-cleaned seed this year and the land not artificially inoculated be capable of inoculating soil if planted from these seed in the hulls next year?"

1. It is probable that crimson clover seed sown in the hulls will carry more bacteria or inoculation than clean crimson clover seed, but they are not so likely to carry sufficient bacteria to properly inoculate the soil as are bur clover seed sown in the hulls. The reason is due to the nature of gathering the seeds. The bur clover seed are allowed to drop to the ground in the burs and are then swept up off the ground. In so doing more or less dirt is swept up with the seed, which is, of course, likely to contain the germs.

We doubt if it will be safe to rely on such crimson clover seed to inoculate the soil if none of the true clovers grow on the farm or in that section.

2. The answer to the second question all depends on whether the crops grown this year from re-cleaned seed were properly inoculated. If the plants showed nodules on their roots it matters not how they got there, or if they grew real well or made a heavy crop, showing inoculation, the seeds in the hulls, especially the bur clover seed, is just as likely to inoculate the soil as if the plants had been grown from seed sown in the burs. As stated, however, we would hesitate to depend on crimson clover seed of this sort to inoculate land on which none of the true clovers had grown.

Special Ten Days Sale

In this issue will be found a full page advertisement of Mr. Rubenstein announcing a clearance sale that will last for 10 days, commencing Saturday, June 27. He gives a list in detail of the many bargains that will be offered during this time. Not only read it carefully but preserve the paper and take it with you to his store and he will prove that the prices are correctly quoted. He guarantees every piece of merchandise he sells. Profit by the tremendous bargains that he is offering.

What Others Say

Had to Reckon With Him.

Huerta may be ousted, but he can console himself with the reflection that it took the whole Western Hemisphere to do it.—Daily Mail.

May it be So!

Theodore Roosevelt, 3rd, has been born and everybody hopes he will take after the maternal side of the house.—Daily Mail.

The Irresistible "Red Meat."

A South Carolina watermelon, presented at the psychological moment, would knock a Pankhurst hunger-strike sky high.—The State.

Should Keep It Up.

They have commenced sending us their first cotton blooms and they will soon be sending us their first cotton bolls but we are afraid they won't send us their first cotton bales.—Greenville Piedmont.

A Mighty Sound Plank.

Mr. Clinkscales says he will plead for the adoption of the Torrens system of recording land titles. We hope he will plead hard enough to make all the other candidates join in and help secure this important reform, which has been the subject of insincere promises for so many years.—Yorkville Enquirer.

Leave Off Old Jokes.

When you get into a social crowd forget your old jokes and witticisms. Conversation should be fresh and sparkling. Did you ever try to slake your thirst these hot days with water which had been standing for hours? That is just equal to your old stale, retold stories and witty sayings.—Spartanburg Journal.

On the Right Track.

An effort is being made in Greenwood county to get Mr. J. K. Durst to offer for the House of Representatives. We sincerely hope the effort will be successful. Mr. Durst is a splendid citizen, one who would reflect credit upon his county in the Legislature. What a pity that the Legislature cannot be filled with just such men.

While Greenwood is trying to get Mr. Durst to come out, let the good people of every other county in the State busy themselves in trying to get out a man just as good as Mr. Durst from their county. Let the movement spread. It would mean much for South Carolina.—Greenville Piedmont.

Smile Provokers

He—I can't afford to marry for five years. Will you wait for me?
She—Certainly—if no one else marries me before then.—Judge.

Jail Visitor—You say that a love for books brought you here, my poor man.

Prisoner—Yes, mum—pocket-books.

A farmer once wrote to a distinguished scientific agriculturist, to whom he felt under obligation for introducing a new variety of swine; "Respected sir: I went yesterday to the cattle fair; I found several pigs of your species. There was a great variety of beasts, and I was very much astonished at not seeing you there."

"I think it would be a good plan to send Willie up into the country for a month," suggested Willie's father. He has never been on a farm, and it would be rather a novel experience for him. "No, you don't, interrupted Willie. I've heard all about the country, and I'm not going anywhere where they have thrashing machines. It's bad enough when it's done by hand."—Ex.

George—What a fine building that is across the way.

Charles—Yes, yes; but the owner built it out of blood, aches and groans of his fellow men; out of grief and of crying children, and the woes of wailing women.

George—Ah! a rum seller of course. Yes, yes!

Charles—Oh, no; he's a dentist.

President Hazard, of Wellesley, told the following at a banquet:

"A girl graduate, in taking leave of her dean said: Good-bye professor; I shall not forget you. I am indebted to you for all I know."

"Oh, I beg of you, replied the professor, don't mention such a trifle."

A breezy individual stepped out of a telephone booth and offered 5 cents to the girl, according to The Sunday Magazine.

"You don't have a city call," she said.

"It was in Brooklyn," replied the man.

"But that's not in the five cents limit."

"It isn't?" exclaimed the man. I came from Chicago and out there we can telephone to Hades for five cents."

"But that's in the city limits out there."

Card of Thanks.

In this dumb messenger I desire to thank my friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness shown me during the protracted illness and death of my dear wife, which I hope to be able to return at some future time.
G. S. Cartledge.

Died of Sunstroke.

The extreme heat has been very oppressive here for several days. Yesterday afternoon about three o'clock a negro woman, Clara Arnold, a tenant on the plantation of Mrs. Victoria Evans, was prostrated by the intense heat while hoeing in the field. The woman died before she could be carried to the house near by.

A Former Solicitor.

P. H. Nelson, Esq., a leading member of the Columbia bar, died Saturday. In the early nineties he served this circuit as solicitor for several terms. A notice of Mr. Nelson's death published in The State contained this paragraph: "Mr. Nelson in his long and active career as a lawyer tried many cases but it was while quite a young advocate that he won his laurels as a successful prosecutor by his securing the conviction of Jones for the killing of the Pressleys. In after years he both prosecuted and defended many prominent causes."

Minutes of Union Meeting Spring Grove Baptist Association.

Mr. Editor: Please allow me space in your columns to report the work of the Spring Grove Union which convened at the Spring Grove Baptist church on the 30th and 31st of May 1914.

The Rev. Kenner, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:30 o'clock a. m. by announcing hymn 454 S. M. Rev. S. Crafton asked the Master's blessing. The hour having arrived for the Introductory sermon, Rev. S. Crafton selected for his text the 46th verse of the 26th chapter of Matthew, words "Rise let us be going." A heart felt sermon was preached. A committee on reading letters; Deacon I. Meriwether, J. C. McKee, J. E. J. Linton and Deacon P. Harris. The letters were all read and received. Then Rev. H. W. Venson pastor of said church made the delegates and visitors welcome and was responded to by Rev. J. C. Middleton. A collection was raised which amounted to \$5.00. A committee on finances Deacon Wm. Glover, R. B. Cooks, M. Tolbert, Kellie Van, H. Brisco, T. T. McCain, Deacon B. Gowdey. Then adjourned three-quarters of an hour for dinner. First doxology was sung by Rev. A. W. Venson.

Afternoon house called to order at 3:30 p. m. Lic. F. Williams lined hymn 800 L. M. The same led in prayer. The minutes of March session was read and received. The Moderator rose and announced the Union without officers. By motion Rev. J. C. Middleton sat moderator protem. By motion Brother J. C. McKee acted seat protem. The following were re-elected for the next 12 months: Rev. R. W. Kenner, Moderator, Deacon M. S. Hackes, Secretary, Deacon T. Obriant, Treasurer. The Installation was given by Rev. J. C. Middleton. They

all arose and returned their hearty thanks for the courtesy shown them by the faithful performance of Deacon L. Obriant. The Delegates raised a collection of \$3.01 for him and then adjourned to meet Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. J. T. Kenner.

Sunday morning Sunday School call to order by Deacon T. T. McCain, who lined hymn 438 C. M. and the same led in prayer. Deacon B. Gowdey was appointed to teach the lesson. The school sang a beautiful solo and Deacon Gowdey then proceeded to teach the lesson in quite an instructive manner. At the close little Rozelia Anderson, a ten year old girl spoke a beautiful essay. Her subject was In Progress start low and aim high. Her talk was very interesting, at the close she donated 10 cents and was responded to by lic. L. F. Price. The school lifted a collection amounting to \$5.28.

Hour having arrived for the Mission and Educational sermon, Rev. J. C. Middleton with Rev. L. G. Gardenhire was invited to the stand. Rev. L. G. Gardenhire lined hymn 202 L. M. the former selected for text 15th verse of the 16 chapter on St. Mark "And He said unto them go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." Many hearts were made glad of the wonderful good news. At the close a collection was raised amounting to \$7.65.

The Time and Place Committee Report. When we adjourn we do so to meet with the Bethlehem Baptist church Saturday before the 5th Sunday in August of 1914 to preach the Introductory sermon Saturday. Rev. H. Green or lic. M. Cook's Mission and Educational sermon Sunday. Rev. S. Roberson or Rev. D. W. Meacham.

The church is 7 miles Northeast of North Augusta on the Martin Town Road. The public is cordially invited. Total amount of money raised in session \$67.44.

Those giving 25 cents: Rev. A. W. Venson 50 cents, Rev. Kenner 25 cents, T. T. McCain 25 cents, L. Obriant 25 cents, W. Tankeley 50 cents, M. S. Hackes 25 cents, Rev. T. G. Gardenhire 25 cents, J. C. Middleton 25 cents, A. Thomas 50 cents, Fred Williams 25 cents, H. Brice 25 cents.

Rev. R. W. Kenner, Moderator
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